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KEHOE

Spoke at Louisa Last Friday to Appreciative Audience.

This unswerving Democrat, able Representative and warm friend of our Big Sandy and our people, was in Louisa last Friday. He had spoken at Yatsville in the forenoon to a large and enthusiastic crowd, and arriving here late he had but little time for meeting the people before the hour of speaking at the Court House. Notwithstanding the fact that the day was an off day, so to speak, Mr. Kehoe had a good crowd, an appreciative and very enthusiastic one. And the speech he made was pronounced by competent judges of both parties to be the best campaign speech ever made in Louisa, and this is very high praise. One old-time Democrat, whose business had unfortunately, as he said, taken him out of town on all other times when Mr. Kehoe spoke in Louisa, said that he—Kehoe—had made some matters clear to him, which before he had not been able to understand. The speech was calm, dispassionate, brilliant with facts and figures which didn't lie, and entirely convincing.

It is the bounden duty of the people of Lawrence county to show their appreciation of such a man as Mr. Kehoe, and they can best do this by casting their votes for him and send him to the Congress of the United States as their Representative. He will represent all classes and all elements, the friend of all and the enemy of none.

Thirty-Five Novembers.

The following data, covering a period of thirty-five years, have been compiled from the weather records at this locality. They are issued to show the conditions that have prevailed during November for the above period of years, but must not be construed as a forecast of the weather conditions for the coming month.

TEMPERATURE.

Mean or normal temperature, 46 degrees; warmest month was that of 1892, with an average of 54 degrees; coldest month was that of 1880, with an average of 37 degrees; highest temperature was 79 degrees on the 6th, 1895; lowest temperature was 4 degrees, on the 29th, 1872; earliest date on which first "killing" frost occurred in autumn, September 24; average date on which first "killing" frost occurred in autumn, October 29; average date on which last "killing" frost occurred in spring, April 6; latest date on which last "killing" frost occurred in spring, May, 14.

PRECIPITATION

Average for the month, 3.92 inches; average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 10; greatest monthly precipitation was 7.43 inches, in 1890; least monthly precipitation was .25 inches in 1904; greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 3.16 inches on 20th and 21st, 1900.

The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any 24 consecutive (record extending to winter of 1884-85 only) was 2.6 inches on 29th and 30th, 1886.

CLOUDS AND WEATHER.

Average number of clear days, 9; partly cloudy days, 8; cloudy days, 12.

The prevailing winds have been from the south; average hourly velocity of the wind is 8 miles; highest velocity 57 miles from the south west, on November 26, 1895.

Doing Lecture Work.

Mr. W. T. Kane, of this county, is now in the employ of the Agricultural department as a lecturer and is on a tour of the mountain counties of Eastern Kentucky, with Mr. Johnson and associates, who were in Louisa early in October. Mr. Kane joined the party at Whitesburg Monday of last week. Two days are spent in each county lecturing and organizing Farmer's Institutes.

Mr. Kane is thoroughly informed on farming and live stock subjects and has experimented sufficiently with various products to be able to speak from experience as to what may be accomplished in this mountain section. The department could not have secured a better equipped man for Institute work in the mountains.

McCreary and Beckham.

When all sides of the Senatorial race in Kentucky and the political situation in general are considered it is difficult to see why any Democrat who is not under personal obligation to Mr. Beckham should vote for him in the primary next Tuesday. On account of the complications into which Gov. Beckham has become involved during his administration there can be doubt that he will prove to be a weaker candidate before the whole people when the facts are fully known than is Senator McCreary. With Beckham out of the way, all machine talk and charges are at an end. Whatever there may be in the nature of a "machine" will thereby be destroyed. Percy Haley will no longer be in authority. Through the influence of Hager, Percy has already been deposed, so far as the State Committee is concerned. He should never have reached the position he once attained in the management of affairs. He has not the right kind of a reputation. Yet he is Beckham's closest adviser and was appointed by the Governor as one of the three members of the State Board of Control. This Board is one of the most important in the State because it has control of the hundreds of thousands of dollars spent annually in buying supplies for the State prisons, feeble-minded institute, asylums, etc. None but the best men should be put in such a position.

In Louisville the temperance people are now very much in doubt as to the Governor's sincerity in their behalf and thousands of them have decided that he has been playing them for their votes. Some of the ministers are outspoken against him because of this condition.

So it looks like bad politics to choose him in preference to a man who has a clean record and is free from these handicaps. Senator McCreary is a credit to his State. He is decent morally and politically, and naught can be truthfully said against him. His services have been earnestly and honestly rendered. He attends strictly to business and looks closely after the interest of his constituency. Every citizen of the State who writes him or visits him receives prompt attention. There is absolutely no complaint to file against him and it would be wrong to turn him out. One more term is doubtless all that he wants or would accept. Kentucky should do the wise thing and give it to him.

A Partisan Democrat

Got a Deserved Pounding.

When people so conduct themselves that in the opinion of the public nothing will do them so much good as a real pounding, they ought to get it. So last Friday night a demonstrative crowd, armed and equipped as the law directs, repaired to the residence of Rev. O. F. Williams and gave him and his wife just what they deserved. Pounds of coffee, pounds of sugar, pounds of butter, pounds of everything to eat and to use. Tables were loaded, chairs piled up, and rooms strewn with all that would comfort and delight the inner man. Thus practically and concretely did the minister's flock show their tangible appreciation of their worthy shepherd. To change the figure, they believed the laborer worthy of more than his hire, and a well filled larder is the result.

An unlucky accident occurred at Round Bottom Monday when Lee Cyrus and John Large two prominent citizens became involved. It seems that the two men were examining an old army gun belonging to the farmer when a load which had been left in the gun went off, striking Mr. Cyrus and inflicting a deep flesh wound.

It is announced at the Post-office Department that hereafter the delivery of mail by rural carrier will be permitted to persons residing not less than one-quarter of a mile from post-offices at unincorporated towns or villages, provided such persons will erect boxes on rural routes.

Luther Dameron, who was the foreman of the water-pipe gang when the Louisa waterworks were in process of construction, was here several days recently. He has a good position in the street car service in Pittsburg and visited his Louisa friends while on vacation.

BIG SALE.

Northern Coal and Coke Company Passes Into New Hands.

One of the biggest transactions in coal lands for some time has just been concluded in Chicago, when the Northern Coal and Coke Company of Kentucky passed into the control of the Williams and Chisholm interests, of Duluth, Minn. Ex-United States Senator J. N. Camden, of Parkersburg, W. Va., President of the company, who, with Vice President C. W. Watson, carried through the deal, passed through the city yesterday morning. The property consists of 300,000 acres located in Letcher, Pike, Knott and Floyd counties, Kentucky and is said to be one of the most valuable coal properties in the country.

One of the heaviest stockholders in the company was J. C. Mayo, of Paintsville, Ky. The value of the deal is about \$4,000,000. The property is said to be worth about \$7,500,000, and the Duluth parties secure a controlling interest. Eugene Zimmerman, formerly President of the C. H. and D., and some Eastern friends own about one tenth of the stock of the old company, but whether or not they will let go their holdings is not known. The new company will meet for the election of officers at Parkersburg, W. Va., on December 4.

When asked what the Duluth purchasers, who are among the biggest iron men in the West, intended to do with the property, Mr. Mayo said he did not know how or when they would develop it. The former owners of the Northern Coal and Coke Company are likely to keep a substantial amount of the stock, although the control has passed from their hands. Cincinnati Enquirer.

It is said that J. W. M. Stewart will continue as general manager of the company.

Married Thursday.

A telegram from Capt. Ben F. Thomas, of Cincinnati, came to Judge Jas. H. McConnell, Thursday evening, announcing the marriage of his daughter, Miss Frances, to Mr. Adelbert J. Crowell, of Caledonia, Miss McConnell had been visiting her cousin, Miss Heloise Thomas, for the past week, and it was at her home the wedding took place Thursday at high noon. Those witnessing the ceremony were Capt. and Mrs. Ben F. Thomas, Miss Heloise Thomas and George F. Gunnell, of Caledonia, who is now located in Cincinnati.

Mr. Crowell and bride are popular young people, and have a host of friends who extend congratulations and the very best wishes for a bright and happy future. They will remain in Cincinnati several days as the guests of Capt. and Mrs. Thomas, before returning home.

Mrs. Crowell is a niece of Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. James Lackey and has many friends in this city.

A local paper says "few trees have lost their leaves, the frost being just severe enough to color them nicely." The frost has little to do with the coloring of leaves. The coloring is the result of the natural process of the death of the leaf, depending much upon the heat and moisture or the cold and dryness of the atmosphere. In countries where frost is seldom or never seen the deciduous leaves showing in the fall most beautiful shades of color.

At nine o'clock this morning a pretty wedding took place at the Hotel Florence. The contracting parties were W. L. Cordle, and Cora Borders, both now residing in Ohio, but formerly of Lawrence county, Ky. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Z. Meek—Caledonia Tribune.

Rowland Spencer, of Kise station, and W. D. Short, of Louisa, were the guests of Dr. W. T. Atkinson, Wednesday for dinner, at Paintsville. Mr. Spencer is in the merchandise business at Kise, while Mr. Short is in the hickory handle business at Louisa.

The friends of Dr. and Mrs. J. Y. Reynolds, of Mt. Sterling, will be glad to hear that their son Franklin's injuries received from the kick of a pony are not so serious as was first reported.

The Mystery of the Trunk.

On last Monday, the Olympic Vaudeville Company came to this city for an engagement of two nights at the Masonic Hall. They had a good lot of "properties" and a considerable amount of baggage, mostly trunks. When all had been made ready for action the stage was cleared of superfluous articles, including several large trunks which, for lack of room, were set outside the hall. During the night one of these trunks was stolen, but it was not missed until some time Tuesday, and it had not been found when the troupe left Wednesday morning for Prestonsburg. The trunk contained wearing apparel belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, valued, so it is said, at at least \$150. Some sort of a clue must have been obtained, for a search was made along the river bank near a lane leading from Lock avenue to the river, and numerous articles of clothing, skirts, waists, etc., belonging to Mrs. Pollock were found. These and some other things were carried to the Police Court room to await developments which seem sure to come.

Wednesday some gentlemen were up the river fishing near the "Rocks." While thus engaged they found a large trunk, partially filled with brick and sunk in the river. They reported the finding, and it proved to be the stolen and rifled property of the Pollocks. Yesterday morning it was taken to the city building, and every effort is being made to find out who the bold thieves are and effect their capture. An umbrella which was attached to the trunk has been brought in, and this, it is thought, may afford a valuable clue.

The Telephone.

The work now being done in Louisa very naturally makes our citizens think of the uses of the telephone and the many changes and improvements which have been made in its construction and mode of operation since the first "hello" rang over the wires. John Vaughan in the September Scribner speaks in this interesting fashion of what Central does:

To-day instead of turning a crank to get "Central's" attention you simply put the receiver to your ear. Lifting the receiver off the hook lights a tiny electric lamp in the exchange.

The light goes out when the switch-board operator thrusts into your line's answering Jack a metal plug, the tip of the answering cord, one of a pair of thread-covered wire cords associated with your line.

The calling cord's tip, plugged into the multiple jack of the number you give to "Central," lights another small lamp, termed a supervisory lamp. Pressing a key rings the bell of the given number—that is, of the subscriber with whom you desire to talk.

When he takes up his receiver his supervisory lamp goes out. Hence, there is no lamp alight while the conversation is in progress. The return of your receiver to its hook lights your supervisory lamp. When the other subscriber hangs up his receiver his supervisory lamp lights again.

Both lamps again apprise the operator that the conversation is closed. She pulls the cords out of the jacks disconnecting the lines.

Not a word of your conversation has been heard, not a second of time has been wasted. What a change from the telephoning of pioneer days—the days of Edison's battery, crank ringing, hollering for "Central," bad language and the twenty-mile limit.

The society address of the NEWS, ever on the watch for everything new in the realms of fashion, learns that at a recent High Jinks affair certain young ladies "added zest and beauty to the occasion as flutters" what she wants to know is, what is a "flutterer?" Don't everybody in Caledonia answer at once.

The mere fact that a great many people have been in the habit of using a railroad trestle as a footbridge and that the railroad company had made no complaint, says the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, does not give the people any special rights on the bridge or compel the railroad company to exercise a special degree of care for their safety.

PERT PARAGRAPHS

Picked Up At Pike, Paint and Prestonsburg.

Typhoid fever is prevalent in and around Hager Hill.

Judge W. O. B. Ratcliffe, of Pikeville, has gone to French Lick Springs.

Mrs. Tempt Ratcliffe, of Island, creek, one of Pike county's oldest and most esteemed citizens, died Saturday night at the age of 81 yrs.

James Bailey, U. S. Minister to Guatemala, passed through Paintsville last week en route to Salyersville, where he will visit his parents for a few days. He hasn't been home for nearly three years.

T. S. McClure, the timber merchant, of McClure, his wife and little daughter are visiting their sister, Mrs. W. Atkinson, at Paintsville. They were accompanied by Mr. McClure's mother, Mrs. G. C. McClure, of Gallup.

Big Sandy has another author. This time the field of music is the domain enriched, and the author lives in Pikeville. The book is "The Beginner," or the First Steps in Piano Music, but Miss Alice O. Roberson, published by W. A. Willis and Co., Cincinnati, and Chicago, and is well spoken of.

Judge A. J. Kirk called a special term of the Pike Circuit Court, for the purpose of trials of common law and equity cases, to convene on November 19th; and by unanimous vote of the bar, Judge J. W. M. Stewart, of Ashland, was selected as special Judge and request made to the Governor for his appointment. The term is to last three weeks.

James Blanton and Dan Welsh were arrested last Thursday for breaking into the C. and O. warehouse at Paintsville the 22nd day of last September. They were arrested on Whitehouse creek by Deputy Sheriff Curtis Ford. He also arrested John Castle for disturbing public worship. Castle gave bond in the sum of \$100. Blanton and Welsh were lodged in jail.

Will Dissolve Partnership.

The firm of Pierce and Derrick, Louisa merchants, will dissolve partnership by mutual consent. Mr. W. D. Pierce will continue the business. Mr. Derrick is now devoting his entire time to his profession of civil engineer and the business of contracting.

Mr. Pierce has shown himself to be a thorough merchant, and he enjoys a good patronage. He has a large and attractive store. His stock is carefully selected and he conducts his business upon the policy that it is better to turn it often at small margins than occasionally at large profit.

Recital.

Miss Kate Freese, soloist, and Miss Mae Stafford, reader, teachers in the Kentucky Normal College, will give a recital at the Opera House, Friday, Nov. 9, 1906, at eight p. m.

WALBRIDGE.

Sunday School is progressing nicely W. D. Supt. Also our school is flourishing Mr. Peters teacher. A large crowd attended meeting at Summit Sunday night report a fine sermon by Bro. Low.

Miss Myrtle O'Brien was here Tuesday evening.

Jennie See is on the sick list. Mrs. B. J. Calloway and children, Virginia and Johnston, and Miss Jennie Wellman left Saturday via N. and W. for Thacker to spend the winter.

Chiley Peters, of Root Owl branch visited Sella A. Wellman Sunday. Messrs. Fred and Robt. Peters called on friends here Saturday night.

Miss K'zle See, who has been attending school in Ashland, visited home folks Saturday and Sunday. John Sammons, of Summit, passed through here Sunday en route to Lick creek.

Fred Sammons, of Point City is seen in our community often.

Rumer says a wedding is going to take place soon. Sweethearts.

The New Mill.

The Big Sandy Milling Co. is the name adopted by the new company that now owns and operates Louisa's up-to-date flouring mill, of which John G. Burns is manager. The mill is equipped with the very latest and best machinery, so that there is nothing in the entire country that surpasses it. The capacity is fifty barrels per day. The mill was just put into operation last week and is now doing nicely. A great deal of wheat has been brought in already and much more will follow soon. The extremely wet season has damaged wheat in this section very materially, and it will probably be impossible to get the best results from all of it.

The power for the mill is furnished by a large gas engine and it is proving very satisfactory.

A visit to this important enterprise will interest anyone. The basement and three floors above are full of rapidly revolving machinery, which automatically handles the grain in all the stages of its conversion into flour. The product travels from the bottom to the top of the mill and some of it repeats the circuit until the almost human equipment decides that it is fit to go to the customer, when it delivers the various grades—from bran to high patent flour—to the respective receptacles provided for them.

HICKSVILLE

Corn gathering is all the go here. W. M. Holbrook has returned from a business trip to Pike county.

A large number of people from this place went to Webville last Thursday to hear the eloquent speech made by Mr. Kehoe.

Misses Cussie and Ravilla Holbrook and Maude Roberts were visiting Miss Hester Holbrook last Sunday.

Our little town is rapidly coming to the front. We now have a general store post office, blacksmith shop, steam grist mill, and a photographic studio, all of which are owned and managed by Al Hicks. "Al" is a deserving young man and we wish him success.

Grover Hicks attended church at Daniels creek last Sunday.

J. K. Woods was here this week buying hogs.

Wm. Holbrook was visiting relatives at Webville last Saturday and Sunday.

Jeff Burton, of Ottoville, was here this week.

Miss Maude Roberts has resigned her position as school teacher here to teach a better paying school on Dry fork.

Bro. Daniels will preach here next Sunday. Let everybody come out. Mulberry.

GALLUP

Born, to F. C. McClure and wife on the 7th a bouncing boy.

T. S. McClure and wife from Martin county, were visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McClure, last week.

Don Belcher made a trip to Peach Orchard Friday.

Miss Patsy Shannon is visiting relatives at Whitehouse this week. Miss Addie Gilkerson attended church at Needmore Sunday.

Thomas Hale spent Sunday with home folks.

Mrs. G. C. McClure has returned from a visit to her daughter at Paintsville.

L. T. McClure, of Delaware, O., arrived Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Sammons and Master Frederick, from Pittsburg, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Dobbins.

J. H. McClure is making preparations for corn.

G. R. Brown was visiting John H. McClure Sunday.

A. S. Gilkerson shipped several barrels of apples to Louisa and Ashland Tuesday.

Mrs. Emma and Martha Burgess, of Kise, were shopping here last week. G. W. Shivel and A. Hannah were visitors at Harry McClure's Sunday.

Mrs. J. J. McClure, of Chapman, was shopping here Tuesday. Paney.

The farmer of Lockhaven and a Louf minister went duck hunting Wednesday, but the ducks never heard of it.

Stock at large in this city is too common an occurrence to be accidental. A citizen asks the NEWS to inquire who collects the pasturage?